As a citizen. I am gravely concerned about the Sinclair directive to air what is obviously not news but a partisan political attack against a presidential candidate. Regardless of individual polițical persuasion, entities sworn to uphold the public trust should not be in the business of attempting to manipulate, especially so blatantly. I realize this is a highly charged issue & that Sinclair as a corporate entity has particular leanings, however the most sacred of all our journalistic linchpins has always dictated that honest journalism should be *reporting* the news, not trying to manufacture it or actively engage in subterfuge for political gain.

Sinclair has a legal & ethical obligation to serve the public interest. Their actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Please accept my concerns as someone who feels we deserve honesty in the media as well as in our elected officials -the public deserves nothing less. Thanks for your consideration. :)